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The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. Blumenauer).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

> WASHINGTON, DC, September 27, 2007.

I hereby appoint the Honorable EARL Blumenauer to act as Speaker pro tempore

NANCY PELOSI.

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Reverend James T. Golden, Ward Temple A.M.E. Church, Bradenton, Florida, offered the following prayer:

God omnipotent, God omniscient, God omnipresent: We thank You for Your mercy that gently awakened us this morning for another day of service to our Nation. And we thank You for Your grace that will empower us to overcome any challenges we will face.

We pray now for our President and all of our fellow servants in Federal, State, and local government across the land. Let Thy will be done today in everything they see, everything they utter, everything they hear, everything they think, and everything they feel.

We also pray for our vigilant, valiant Armed Forces as they protect our interests, defend our liberty, and secure justice at home and abroad in selfless sacrifice for our country.

O God our help in ages past, God of our weary years, God of our silent tears, God who has brought us thus far along the way, O God our hope for years to come, keep our Nation forever in Thy path of goodness and righteousness we pray. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentlewoman from North Carolina (Ms. Foxx) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. FOXX led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Ms. Curtis, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate has passed a bill of the House of the following title:

S. 2085. An act to delay for 6 months the requirement to use of tamper-resistant prescription pads under the Medicaid program.

INTRODUCING THE REVEREND JAMES T. GOLDEN

(Ms. CASTOR asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. CASTOR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a wonderful man and my constituent, the Reverend James T. Golden of the Ward Temple A.M.E. Church in Bradenton, Florida. He is the guest chaplain of the House of Representatives.

Reverend Golden is a pillar of the Tampa Bay community, with a long record of public service and dedication. In the year 2000, he was elected to the Bradenton City Council, which he continues to represent with distinction.

Reverend Golden is a veteran of the United States Army. He received a

bachelor's degree in business administration from Stetson University in Deland, Florida, and went on to become a master of divinity from the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta. He returned to Florida to attend the University of Florida and received his juris doctorate. Reverend Golden has shared his great knowledge and insight with students throughout Florida, and he ministers to the congregation of the Ward Temple A.M.E. Church in Bradenton and serves his community through many nonprofit organizations.

He is joined today by his wife Mildred, nephew Kahreem, and niece Lyleigha. I am proud to stand in recognition of his accomplishments and leadership today.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will entertain up to 10 requests for 1-minute speeches on each side.

GLOBAL WARMING

(Ms. SOLIS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. SOLIS. Earlier this week, the world came together at the United Nations to discuss the need to take action against climate change. The United Nations Secretary General stated, "I am convinced that climate change and what we do about it will define us, our era, and ultimately the global legacy we leave for our future generations.' Missing from the discussion, however, was none other than the United States.

Rather than engage, the Bush administration continues to bury its head in the sand, organizing summits to discuss aspirational goals and ignoring real science.

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